NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gathered from All Quarters.

WASHINGTON.

The acting secretary of war has issued a circular designed to prevent amuggling in Cuba and which virtually applies the United States laws on subject to Cuba.

It is announced that the third as sistant postmaster general has de-cided upon a plan for the registration of mail matter by letter carriers at the door of the residential sections of cities having the free delivery system. The same idea is to be extended to the rural free delivery service as soon as

bodies of two men, one white and the other colored, were found at Colum-bia, N. J., near the New York, Susquehanna & Western railroad tracks, The men were killed by a train.

A general strike of the members of the Pursemakers' union of New York City is in progress for an advance in wages of about 75 per cent. About 150 persons in all quit work,

At North Tonawanda, N. Y., on the 9th the body of an unknown man, about 40 years old, was found in an Frie freight car. There was every evidence of murder. The interior of the car was smeared with blood, and the man's head, above the left eye. had been crushed with a coupling pin. The man was well dressed.

Arrangements are being made for the removal of the Springvale mills at Springvale, Me., to Fort Valley, Gu. The removal will be the second of the kind from York county inside of a

In a letter to Bishop Huntington State Controller Morgan discloses abuses in the Syracuse (N. Y.) state institution for feeble-minded children. The controller says that the state's wards are whipped with sticks and rubber hose, and punched in the stomach by brutal attendants. Cases have been known where children have been picked up bodily and thrown to the floor. The rules of the institution forbid corporal punishment,

Notice has been served on the retail meat dealers of New York City who purchase their stock from the packers that they will have to make weekly settlements of their accounts. On every Monday the retailers must set-tle up for all meats bought during the previous week.

For the week ended August 11 the business failures in the United States numbered 136, as compared with 196 for the corresponding period of 1898. and 29 in Canada, as against 18 for the same time last year.

Early on the morning of the 10th Deputy Sheriff Edward H. Burgess, of Monument Beach, Mass., was shot by burglars. His wound is dangerous. Stillman Smalley, a watchman at Buzzard's Bay, who had come to Bourne to assist the deputy sheriff, also was shot, but was only slightly hurt. It is believed that the burglars were also

On the 12th the British steamship Puritan cleared from Philadelphia for New Chwang, China, and Vladivostock, Siberia, with the largest cargo of rail-

tons of miscellaneous cargo. The retail meat dealers in Greater validity New York are preparing to advance prices from two to three cents a pound who has just returned to Seattle, on all meats. They contend that un-

Lizzie Dodge, aged 14, and Mahel by natives while prospecting on the and Lizzie Weston, aged 18 and 15 Silawik river, years respectively, daughters of farm. The Anchor line steamer Furnesia.

pagne concerns in the United States A plant for the manufacture of the are about to form a combination Lanchester oil motor, to cost \$400,050 and to employ about 600 skilled me-American champagne trust.

18. was struck by lightning and instantly killed on the 13th.

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One life was lost and the 13th.

Rev. A. I. Simuson raised 55,900 for is in the neighborhood of \$40,000. foreign missions at the Christian Alli-Me., on the 13th.

WEST AND SOUTH.

On the 9th the towbarge Leader, of Detroit, was sunk in the Detroit river in 25 feet of water, above Belle Isle by colliding with the barge Duns-

nore. The crew were saved. On the 9th lightning struck the barn at Clifton, Wis., owned by Engelbert Jerseley, destroying it and killing his

lett, postmaster at Dewar, was smothered to death in a bin of shelled corn. The boy was playing in an elevator when the chute opened to fill a car and

he was drawn in. Because of the boom in copper and the demands for hard wood, Michigan has been enabled to dispose of a larger quantity of state lands during the fiscal year just closed than for any previous year since 1880. Nearly 15,000 neres of supposedly worthless lands in the copper districts were sold to speculators and the hardwood timber land holdings in several counties are largely as a present counties. quantity of state lands during the fixland holdings in several counties are ington and Baltimore, New York and exhausted.

The first half of the year 1890 has slightly surpassed the last half of 1898 in the number of new textile enter-prises entered into in the United States. The total number of new enterprises launched in the first six months of this year was 116, against 107 in the last half of 1898, and 155 in the first half of 1898. The south con-tinues to lead in the new mills.

Here is one of those

The society of Modern Woodmen gave a picnic at Racine, Wis., on the 11th during which the grand stand in the baseball ground, 20 feet high and 50 feet long and containing 4,000 people, collapsed. Men, women and children were piled in a heap among the planks and debris. At least 20 persons were hurt.

On the 11th, during a severe storm at Parkersburg, W. Va., lightning struck the store of the A. H. Smith Hardware Co., a four-story building. In a few minutes the building was in flames and soon destroyed. It was the largest hardware store in the state. Loss \$150,000.

The department of agriculture's monthly report shows the average condition of cotton on August 1 to have been 84 per cent., as compared with 87.8 on July 1."

Root 10.

destitute in Porto Rico ...
from the mayors of the different cities in the most gratifying manner. Promises of money, food and clothing are made, and the work of relief will be pushed with all vigor.

Indiana, Michigan, Iowa and Wisconsin state that a great deal of damage was done by a storm on the 12th. In some places there was loss of life due to lightning, and the loss in crops and destroyed buildings reached a heavy

Joseph Benoist, a French Canadian who lived in Kansas City for 20 years, is dead. He leaves an estate of \$200,-000, nearly all of which is willed to local charities. He was an agnostic and " many ways was an eccentric character.

Lillian Lewis, an actress of national reputation, died at Farmington, Minn.,

of consumption, on the 12th.

A meeting of the federal industrial commission has been called to meet in Chicago this fall, for the purpose of investigating trusts, manufacturated in the company of the constitution of the const turing, transportation, freight rates, the workings of the inter-state commerce commission and the elevator

The first steps toward a sawmill trust, to embrace all the leading mills in Wisconsin and Michtgan, are being taken by interested parties and it is expected that the deal will be con-summated before the next senson opens. It is understood that the new trest will be capitalized for \$5,000,000,

FOREIGN.

The sum of £10,000 has been donated by Andrew Carnegie to found a public library at Keighley, Yorkshire, England.

All the shipping companies under charter to the British admiralty for transport purposes, have been noti-fied to hold all their transports in reserve for the immediate dispatch of troops to South Africa.

Cardinal Isidor Verga died at Rome on the 10th. He was born in Italy in 1832 and was created a cardinal in 1884.

It is reported that the failure of the crops in many of the provinces of European Russia is much more serious than was at first generally admitted. Energetic steps have been taken to meet the situation. Government aid is being given.

Maj. Charles E. Kilbourne, paymaster of the army, has been appointed to duty as treasurer of the Philippine islands and the island of Guam. All moneys of the civil government of the islands will be placed in his hands.

LATER.

The Russian government has agreed way material that has ever gone from any port in the United States. Sie earries 40 Baldwin locomotives and 15 steel bridges for the Chinese East-transcript of miscellaneous eargo.

Justine Massain government has agreed to arbitrate the claims of American to division and the arbitrate the claims of American etizens against it, growing out of the ecizure of their vessels off the Siketrian coast. They amount to \$500,000 and Russian willingness to arbitrate tons of miscellaneous eargo. is the best evidence, it is said, of their

Hugh Kennedy, of San Francisco, less they do so many of them will be brings the report that the Pickiniany forced to the wall.

ers living near Bremen, Me., were which arrived at New York on the drowned on the 12th while bathing.

It is reported in New York that four of the largest domestic chara-page concerns in the United States.

A plant for the manufacture of the translational page about to form a subdisaster.

chanics, is to be built in Pittsburg.

ance convention held in Old Orchard, ingron to secure and forward relief for the people of Texas has decided to The committee organized in Washgive way entirely to the Porto Ricans and will solicit no more aid for Texas.

Ms. Frances J. Wallnee, only re-maining sister of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln, died at Springfield, Ill., on the 14th, aged 82.

The yellow fever epidemic in the cities of Cordova and Orizana, Mexico, is growing worse, All travelers coming from points south of the City two sons. Vincent and Engelbert, aged 16 and 22 years, respectively.

Near Jackson, La., on the night of the 2th five negro children were burned to death on McGowan's planta-

the house and went to church. On the house and went to church. On their return the charred remains of the little ones were found, the little ones were found, a harber shop.

The coroner's jury at Omaha, Neb., and the property of the prope

has rendered a verdict blaming the fire chief and city officials for the recent death of four firemen by contact with a live electric light wire.

At the New York office of the Amer-ican Ice Co. it is stated that the new concern with its capital stock of \$60, 000,000 has already secured control of the Consolidated, Union and Crystal

NEWS OF OHIO.

Gall red by Telegraph From All Parts of the State.

Tortured by Musked Robbers. Mansfield, Aug. 15,-Detailes have been received here of a brutal rob-bery Sunday night at the home of a farmer named John Miller, who lives three miles west of Plymouth. Four masked men broke into the house and tormented Miller and his wife from midnight until 4 o'clock Monday morning by burning their feet and other fiendish torments. They obtained only \$2 and two gold watches. Miller's daughter, Amy, aged 23, struck one of the robbers with a car-pet sweeper; he shot at her but missed her. Miller recognized two of the men as tramps who had been aided by Mrs. Miller Sunday evening.

Holds the Motorman Responsible.

Akron, Aug. 11.-Coroner Leberman yesterday gave his verdict in the wreck on the Akron, Bedford & Cleveland electric line, in which three persons lost their lives and more than a dozen others were seriously injured, He holds Motorman Earl Martin responsible for the accident, on the ground that he disobeyed orders in running his car without reporting it at Northfield. Besides this, the coroner strongly condemns the company for not providing a better syr in of receiving reports from cars and sending them orders.

Held to the Grand Jury.

Cleveland, Aug. 15.—Reuben Hol-den, a member of the Kingsville (O.) board of elections, who was arrested Sunday on the charge of sending a threatening letter to his filees, was brought to Cleveland Monday and was arraigned before United States Com-missioner Williams on the charge of sending obscene matter through the mail. Holden pleaded not guilty and was bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$500. He furnished the necessary ball.

Nominated for the Legislature.

London, Aug. 12.—Madison county democrats are rejoicing over the selection of John F. Locke, a well-known republican leader, as candidate for reprezentative by the democratic county convention. Locke was a candidate for representative before the republi can convention two weeks ago, and, the democrats allege, was defeated by the work of republican court house off-cials. Locke accepted the demo-cratic nomination.

Great Fire at Berea.

Berea, Aug. 15.—Monday afternoon property on the west side of Front street to the value of \$150,000 was con Assistance was asked from the Cleveland are department and an engine and a hose cart with 1,200 feet of hose was sent. The limited fire facilities of Peren were utterly insuf-ficient to fight the flames and 20 buildings in the business portion of the village were destroyed.

Shot by a Motorman.

Cleveland, Aug. 12.-William Little a teamster employed by the Hipp-Fay Co., wholesale grocers, was shot twice in the left arm by William T. Caple, a motorman on the Big Consolidated, in front of the Cleveland Baking Co.'s office on Central avenue, Friday, The motorman was himself struck in the head with a hatchet in the hands of Little. Neither man is seriously in-

To be Given a Public Reception.

Wellsville, Aug. 15,-A public reception will be tendered Private Wilbur Holtz, of the Tenth Pennsylvania regiment, on his return home to this city, after being mustered out. The Sons of Veterans have the matter He is the only son of Dr. Farl D. Holtz, pastor of the First M.

Librarians Elect Officers.

Toledo, Aug. 11.—The Ohio Library sociation has elected officers as follows: President, Charles Orr, Cleve-land; vice president, E. O. Randall, Columbus; Dr. Thomas White, Cincin-nati, and Miss Duvall, Delaware; secretary, Miss Martha Mercer, Mansfield; treasurer, Miss Sherwood, Cin-

A McLean Victory.

Steubenville, Aug. 15.—The Mc-Lean forces triumphed over the Lentz men in Monday's democratic county nvention. H. H. McFadden, leader of the Lentz forces, was defeated for delegate by one vote and the McLean men elected all the delegates. convention was the most disorderly for years.

Death Caused by Hiccoughs.

Marion, Aug. 12.—Thomas Thomp-son, aged 68, of Big Island township, died Friday. Eight weeks ago he was attacked by hiccoughs and had since been unable to stop.

Caldwell, Aug. 12.—Friday morning a heavy cloudburst visited the east-

ern part of this (Noble) county, doing an inestimable amount of damage to corn and tobacco crops Akron Gets the Opening Date. Columbus, O., Aug. 15,-It is an-

nounced that the republican campaign will be opened at Akron September 23. Gov. Roosevelt and Judge Nash

will be the speakers.

Robbed of \$46 by Pootpads. Newark, Aug. 15,—Alva Willey, a telegraph lineman from Detroit, who has been visiting his father, near Re-form, this county, went to Frizzeys-burg Sunday night to call on his girl. While returning Monday morning he was beld up by two men and robbed

of \$46.

Want a \$20,000 Bonus. Niles: Aug. 15 .- The Struthers Iron and Steel Co. says it will rebuild its rolling mill destroyed by fire at Struthers, in Niles, for a \$20,000 bonus. big effort will be made to raise this

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PLIGHT OF A BASHFUL MAN.

He Would Have Gone If He Could Have Summoned Up Courage to Ask for His Hut.

"I always was a bashful sort of a fellow when I was young," said Ananias Fisher, as be passed his plate for the third piece of pie. He was dining out with friends and wished them to understand his tempera-

ment.

"But I was broken of that habit before I was 25. It was either a case of get over it or stay all night, and I got over it, 'ne said, as his plate was returned with a good sized piece of pie such as Topeka house keepers make. "I was calling, out on Fillmore street, and when I went in I forgot all about putting my hat on the rack in the hall, and carried it into the parlor with me. I put it on a sofa, and when the lady of the house came in she said 'how-dye-do' and sat her 290 pounds down on that hat.

"I beg your pardon,' I said.

"Why, what's 'the matter?' she asked, for I guess I looked kind of bewildered.

"O, nothing,' I answered. 'I just got a stick in my heart.

"We went on talking, and I thought that when she got up I could sneak that hat, but she talked and talked.

"It got along to nine o'clock, and I knew I ought to go, but I was too bashful to say anything, so I just waited. Then the clock struck ten, and I knew I was staying too long, but I could not get that hat.

"Is it moonlight?' asked the 280-pound lady.
"I said it was, and knew she wanted me to "But I was broken of that habit before

"Is aid it was, and knew she wanted me to go, but I did not have the nerve to ask for that hat. Just as the clock struck 12 she blurted out: "Why don't you go?" "I will if you will give me that hat," I

said.
"What hat?"
"My hat."
"Where is it?"

"You are sitting on it."
"'Mot" and she jumped up.
"There was my hat, and it looked much sat upon, but no more than that woman. I have Lever been bashful since then."—Burlington Hawkeye.

THERE IS A LIMIT.

Fourth Gentleman Severely Strained the Bounds of Human Credulity.

"You may not believe it, gentlemen," re-marked one of an after-dinner group engaged in smoking cigars in front of a totel, "but I have used a fountain pen constantly for four years, and have never had the least trouble

years, and have never had the least trouble with it."

That is indeed remarkable," rejoined another. "Nevertheless I am the father of six children and have never had to walk the floor by night with a single one of them."

There was a silence, asting a minute or so. Then another spoke up: "I don't doubt it in the least," said he, "for I can testify to something stranger still. I have a bright little four-year-old boy at my house, and I ve never repeated any of his smart sayings to my most intimate friends."

"Gentlemen," observed a fourth, after a protracted and somewhat painful panse, "I am fond of hearing young women practice their scales on the piano after I have retired to rest. It fails me to sleep."

One or two other members of the group made more or less feeble attempts to say something, but falteringly gave it up. It seemed to be generally felt that the extreme lifnit of human credulity had been reached.—London Telegraph.

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An Optimistic View.

"The lies the blamed newspapers publish about us," said one politician to another, "is enough to drive a man to drink."

"Yes, that's so," replied the other, "but still we have no cause for complaint."

"Why not?" asked the first, in surprise.

"Well, it might be much worse," was the reply. "They might publish the truth."—
Chicago Evening News.

An Explanation.

"It strikes me this ice water is dirty," said a Circinnati hotel guest.
"Hully gee!" exclaimed the bellboy, as he looked in the pitcher, "I betcher de porter forgot ter wash it."—Chicago Evening News.

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